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(DISCUSSION OF FURTHER WORK PROGRAM)(SUMMARY IN SEPTTEL)

ALL OTHER MBFR CAPITALS BY POUCH

FROM US REP MBFR

1. THE CHAIRMAN ASKED THE NETHERLANDS REP TO PRESENT HIS IDEAS
ON THE FURTHER WORK PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NETHERLANDS
REP' S REQUEST TO RAISE THIS ISSUE ON PERSONAL BASIS. THE
NETHERLANDS REP BEGAN BY SAYING THAT IF THE COUNTRIES
PARTICIPATING IN THE INITIAL MBFR TALKS WERE TO SOLVE THE
PARTICIPATION PROBLEM, THEN THEY WOULD HAVE FOUND A
SOLUTION TO AN IMPORTANT PROBLEM. THE NEXT PROBLEM TO WHICH
THEY WOULD ADDRESS THEMSELVES WOULD BE THAT OF THE AGENDA.
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THEIR GOAL WOULD BE TO ASCERTAIN IN THE FIRST PLACE WHAT KIND OF DIFFICULTIES COULD BE EXPECTED TO ARISE IN CONNECTION WITH AN AGENDA DISCUSSION. THE NETHERLANDS REP QUESTIONED, HOWEVER, WHETHER IT WOULD BE PROFITABLE TO GO INTO A DISCUSSION IN DEPTH ON EACH AGENDA ITEM. FROM THE KNOWLEDGE GAINED THROUGH INITIAL EXCHANGES ON THE AGENDA, THE ALLIED REPS WOULD BE ABLE TO RECOMMEND TO THE NAC THAT MORE DETAILED EXCHANGES ON THAT SUBJECT WOULD NOT NOW SHOULD BE HOUSED IN ONE LOCATION (SEMIRAMIS HOTEL) FOR SECURITY REASONS. THOSE FEW PARTICIPANTS WHO DID NOT OPT FOR THIS HOTEL HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED OF THIS DECISION.

WE HAVE RESERVED TWO FLOORS CONSISTING OF THREE SUITES, FOUR DOUBLE ROOMS AND SEVEN SINGLES EACH FOR THE PRINCIPAL PARTICIPANTS. THESE FLOORS WILL BE PROVIDED SPECIAL SECURITY COVERAGE. ADDITIONAL ROOMS, MOSTLY SINGLES, HAVE BEEN RESERVED FOR OTHER STAFF AND TDY PERSONNEL INVOLVED WITH THE CONFERENCE.

3. CONFERENCE FACILITIES

MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE CARAVANSARI, THE USEA CLUB/ RESTAURANT, LOCATED ON THE EMBASSY COMPOUND AS WAS THE CASE IN 1970. THIS AREA WILL BE PARTITIONED OFF TO PROVIDE SPACE FOR STENOGRAPHERS, CLASSIFIED READING AREA, ETC.

ACCESS TO THE ENTIRE BUILDING, INCLUDING THE GROUND FLOOR RESTAURANT, WILL BE LIMITED TO PARTICIPANTS/ CONFERENCE PASS HOLDERS. COFFEE BREAKS AND WORKING LUNCHEAS WELL AS BREAKFAST AND DINNERS WILL BE SERVED TO PARTICIPANTS THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD OF THE CONFERENCE.

OFFICE SPACE WILL BE PROVIDED THE DEPUTY SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO AND THE SECRETARIAT ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE CHANCERY ADJACENT TO THE AMBASSADOR'S OFFICE AND THE COMM. CENTER. OTHER OFFICES ON THE GROUND FLOOR STAFFED WITH SECRETARIES ARE BEING SET ASIDE FOR USE BY OTHER PARTICIPANTS.

4. EMBASSY CONTROL ROOM AND SERVICES

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AN EMBASSY CONTROL ROOM WILL BE LOCATED ON THE GROUND FLOOR OF THE HOTEL WHICH WILL BE STAFFED DURING NON- WORKING HOURS AS A GENERAL INFORMATION CENTER. ACCOMMODATION EXCHANGE, THE SALE OF CIGARETTES, BEVERAGES AND OTHER SERVICES WILL BE AVAILABLE.

DURING WORKING HOURS THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNSELOR, KEIRN RXM BROWN, WILL SERVE AS THE CONTROL OFFICE. ACCOMMODATION EXCHANGE, ONWARD TRAVEL AND OTHER SERVICES WILL BE RENDERED FROM THIS OFFICE.

5. TRANSPORTATION

IN THE INTERESTS OF SECURITY ALL PARTICIPANTS AND THEIR WIVES WILL BE ENCOURAGED TO UTILIZE OFFICIAL TRANSPORTATION DURING THEIR STAY IN TEHRAN. VEHICLES WILL BE DESPATCHED FROM THE EMBASSY MOTOR POOL TO THEHOTEL, CARAVANSARI, CHANCERY AND OTHER LOCATIONS IN THE CITY UPON REQUEST -- EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH THE CONTROL OFFICE.

ALTHOUGH THE HOTEL IS WITHIN EASY WALKING DISTANCE OF THE CHANCERY COMPOUND, A SHUTTLE BUS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO TRANSPORT PARTICIPANTS TO THE CARAVANSARI FOR MEALS AS WELL AS TO THE CONFERENCE SESSIONS.

6. COMMUNICATIONS

THE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER WILL BE OPERATING 24 HOURS
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PERIOD APRIL 21 - 24. A CLASSIFIED MESSENGER SERVICE WILL ALSO BE OPERATIONAL 24 HOURS DURING THIS PERIOD.

7. EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

ALTHOUGH ALL OFFICIAL VEHICLES OF THE MISSION WILL BE AVAIL-
ABLE, WE WILL NEED TO RENT TWO MINI- BUSES DURING THE FOUR DAY PERIOD. OFFICE EQUIPMENT (ELECTRIC TYPEWRITERS AND REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT) MUST ALSO BE RENTED AS OUR STOCKS ARE DEPLETED.

8. PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS

IN ADDITION THE SECRETARIAL PERSONNEL ARRIVING FROM WASHINGTON TO SERVICE THE WASHINGTON STAFF, THREE ADDITIONAL
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SECRETARIES SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO SERVE OTHER PARTICIPANTS, TO INCLUDE MRS. ELFIE STARRETT WHO IS PRESENTLY AT POST AND HAS BEEN EMPLOYED TEMPORARILY IN THE PAST.

ONE OF OUR COMMUNICATORS (JOHN D. MANUEL) IS WILLING TO EX-
TEND FROM APRIL 18 THROUGH APRIL 24. AS A CONSEQUENCE, WE CAN PROVIDE 24- HOUR COMMUNICATIONS COVERAGE WITH THE TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT OF TWO COMMUNICATORS. TCU CAN EXPAND ITS OPER-
ATIONS TO 24- HOURS WITH AN ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATOR AND IS

TAKING INDEPENDENT ACTION TO OBTAIN THIS INDIVIDUAL FROM
ATHENS.

ADDITIONAL SECURITY MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS (SECURITY TECH-
NICAL OFFICERS AND MARINE GUARDS) ARE BEING SUBMITTED IN A
SEPARATE COMMUNICATION.

9. FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

OUR RECORDS REFLECT THAT AN AMOUNT IN EXCESS OF \$3,000
(NOT INCLUDING ENTERTAINMENT COSTS) WAS REQUIRED FOR THE 1970
CONFERENCE. IN VIEW OF DEVALUATION, HIGHER COSTS FOR EQUIP-
MENT AND SERVICES AND PERIPHERAL COSTS ASSOCAITED WITH THE
SECURITY PROBLEM, THE BUREAU SHOULD ANTICIPATE THAT OUR COSTS
WILL BE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF \$5,000.

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NOTE: EXDIS CAPTION ADDED PER MR. PENDLETON S/ S- O

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ON THE QUESTION OF THE CHANNEL TO BE USED FOR THE INFORMAL EXCHANGES, THE US REP NOTED THAT THERE WERE SEVERAL POSSIBILITIES. FOR EXAMPLE, THERE COULD BE MEETINGS OF THE DIRECT PARTICIPANTS LESS LUXEMBOURG (WHICH IS NOT PRESENT). HOWEVER, THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE EXPLORED FURTHER LATER.

7. THE US REP SAID THAT IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE ALLIES WOULD SOON BE GOING INTO DISCUSSION OF MBFR SUBSTANCE, THE IDEA OF CLOSING OFF THE INITIAL PHASE BEFORE EASTER HAD SOME MERIT TO IT.

8. THE ITALIAN REP SAID THAT THE NETHERLANDS' SUGGESTION WAS QUITE VALUABLE BUT REQUIRED DETAILED STUDY. BUT IN HIS CONFIDENTIAL

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VIEW EVEN THE DRAFTING OF A COMMUNIQUE COULD OCCUPY BOTH SIDES UNTIL AFTER EASTER EVEN IF THE PROCESS WAS SOON BEGUN. THE ITALIAN REP WENT ON TO REITERATE ITALY'S VIEWS ON DISCUSSING OTHER ISSUES BEFORE THE PARTICIPATION ISSUE IS RESOLVED. HE NOTED THAT ITALY NOW OPPOSES, HAS OPPOSED, AND WILL CONTINUE TO OPPOSE ANY MEETING OF ALL 19 STATES TO DISCUSS ANY ISSUE BEFORE THE PARTICIPATION ISSUE IS RESOLVED. HOWEVER, HE SAID IT MIGHT STILL BE POSSIBLE SO ONE MILE FROM BORDER, HAD 4 HOUSES DESTROYED WHILE 3 PEOPLE WERE KILLED AT MUTABARA VILLAGE, ABOUT 3 MILES FROM BORDER.

3. IN MEETING MARCH 26 ON VARIOUS SUBJECTS, FOREIGN MINISTER MALECELA TOLD AMB, DCM, AND VISITING DIRECTOR FOR EAST AFRICAN AFFAIRS COOTE THAT ALTHOUGH BURUNDI SOLDIERS EXCEEDED THEIR AUTHORITY IN RECENT INCIDENT, GOB IS STILL RESPONSIBLE. MALECELA WAS PARTICULARLY UNHAPPY THAT BURUNDI HAS NEITHER ADMITTED BLAME NOR OFFERED APOLOGY. HE EMPHASIZED THAT TANZANIA WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE AS SAFE HAVEN FOR REFUGEES FROM NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES IN SPITE OF IMPLICATIONS THIS MAY HAVE FOR BILATERAL RELATIONS. IT IS IMPORTANT TO TANZANIANS CONCEPT OF THEMSELVES THAT TANZANIA CONTINUE TO BE SANCTUARY FOR REFUGEES, EVEN IF AS IN CASE OF MILTON OBOTE THIS CAUSES TANZANIA DIFFICULTY IN ITS RELATIONS WITH UGANDA.

4. HARD-HITTING EDITORIAL IN MARCH 26 DAILY NEWS SAID "LAST WEEK'S BOMBING BY BURUNDI MILITARY FORCES OF TANZANIAN VILLAGES NEAR BORDER IN KIGOMA REGION IS VERY SERIOUS BREACH OF SPIRIT AND LETTER OF GOOD NEIGHBORLINESS. BOMBING LED TO 45 DEATHS, EIGHT OF THEM TANZANIAN. THESE WERE UNARMED CIVILIANS AND

REFUGEES AND DEATHS ARE TOTALLY ABOMINABLE. IT IS ALL MORE DEPLORABLE THEREFORE THAT BURUNDI AUTHORITIES SHOULD RESORT TO DENY THAT THIS GRAVE INCIDENT HAD TAKEN PLACE". EDITORIAL CONTINUED THAT " REACTION FROM BURUNDI TO DATE HAS, TO SAY LEAST, BEEN IRRESPONSIBLE. FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION SHOULD NOT BE USED AS EXCUSE FOR SUCH CYNICAL DISREGARD OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND HUMAN LIFE".

5. CONTRARY TO REPORT CONTAINED DAR ES SALAAM 1000, BURUNDI AMBASSADOR IN DAR ES SALAAM DID NOT VISIT SITE OF ATTACK. HE WAS ENCOURAGED TO MAKE TRIP BY GOT BUT INSTEAD WENT TO BUJUMBURA. HE HAS SINCE RETURNED TO DAR ES SALAAM AND SAW MALECELA MARCH 26.

6. COMMENT: DETAILS OF ATTACK CONTINUE TO BE CONFUSED.
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TANZANIA PRESS ACCOUNTS VARIOUSLY REFER TO " STRAFING" BY PLANE, " BOMBING" BY PLANE, AND ATTACK BY HELICOPTERS. SPELLINGS OF VILLAGES AND DISTANCE FROM BORDER CHANGE DAILY AND NUMBER OF DEAD HAS GONE UP SINCE FIRST REPORT. ON OTHER HAND, TANZANIAN AUTHORITIES REMAIN ADAMANT THAT ATTACK TOOK PLACE INSIDE TANZANIA AND APPEAR TO BE INSISTENT ON ADMISSION OF GUILT FROM GOB. STATEMENTS BY MALECELA, RECENT TANZANIAN PRESS TREATMENT (INCLUDING GORY PHOTOGRAPHS), AND COMMENTS BY LOCAL NEWSMAN WHO HAS BEEN FOLLOWING STORY INDICATE THAT GOT IS BECOMING INCREASINGLY UNHAPPY OVER GOB REACTION TO INCIDENT. CARTER

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